Sl. No.	Name of the Project/District	Capacity (MW)	Commissioning schedule
3.	Bina TPP (M/s. Bina Power Supply Co. Ltd.), Sagar,	578	33-36 months from financial closure
4.	Narsingpur CCPP (M/s. GBL Power), Narsingpur	166	23 months from financial closure
5.	Korba (West) Extn. (M/s. ITPL) Korba (now in Chhattisgarh)	420	33-36 months from financial closure
6.	Guna CCGT (M/s. STI Power India Ltd.), Guna	330	12-25 months from financial closure
7.	Pench TPP (M/s. Pench Power Ltd.), Chhindwara	500	38-41 months from financial closure
8.	Bhilai TPP (M/s. Bhilai Power Supply Comp.), Durg (now in Chhattisgarh)	574	39 months from financial closure
9.	Raigarh TPP (M/s. Jindal Power Ltd.), Raigarh (now in Chhattisgarh)	550	36-39 months from financial closure
10.	Bhander CCGT (M/s. Bhander Power Ltd.) , Datia	342	12-25 months from financial closure
11.	Pithampur DGPP (M/s. Shapoorji Pallonji Power Ltd.), Dhar	119.7	14-17 months from financial closure
12.	Ratlam DGPP [M/s. GVK Power (Ratlam) Ltd.], Ratlam	118.63	14-17 months from financial closure
13.	Khandwa CCGT (M/s. Madhya Bharat Energy Corp. Ltd)., Khandwa	171.17	22 months from financial closure

The Detailed Project Reports received from M/s. alpine Power Systems Limited for the Rajgarh CCPP (343.48MW) in District Rajgarh in Madhya Pradesh will be taken up for techno-economic appraisal by Central Electricity Authority after the requisite inputs/linkages/clearances are tied up by the project promoters and after the litigation proceedings initiated by the project promoters are completed.

Vast Potential of Hydro Power in Uttaranchal

†1769. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a power fund at the earliest to enhance the development of hydro power in States including Uttaranchal;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have decided every possible help to State of Uttaranchal in view of the vast potentials of the hydro power in Uttaranchal;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) if so, whether any concrete plan has been formulated in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The Policy on Hydro Power Development announced by the Government of India in August, 1998 provides for the establishment of National Power Development Fund. On a petition filed by NHPC for levy of a surcharge on energy available at bus bar on the electricity generated from its generating stations, CERC has allowed NHPC to levey development surcharge at the rate of 5% of the billing amount (capacity and energy charges) to be used for development of hydro power in the Region.

(b) to (d) Memorandum of Understanding has been signed on 30.3.2001 between the Government of India and the Government of Uttaranchal affirming their joint commitment to upgrade the quality of service in the power sector in Uttaranchal. The Union Ministry of Power has affirmed to (a) work closely with Uttaranchal to fully develop its exploitable hydro- potential by 2020; and (b) assist the State in raising resources including external aid for development of hydro power projects.

Government of India is already assisting the State of Uttaranchal in executing Tehri Hydro electric Project (2400 MW). A special Accelerated Power Development Programme has been launched for Renovation, Modernisation and Uprating activities of hydro stations. In order to accelerate the process of survey and investigation of the new hydro-electric sites and to create a shelf of feasible projects which could be taken up for execution, the Central Electricity Authority has completed a preliminary ranking of all the untapped hydro sites in all river basins of the country based on technical and non-technical parameters.

Details of ongoing hydro-electric power projects in Uttaranchal identified for commissioning during the 10th Plan are given below:—

Central Sector	MW	Commissioning Schedule
Tehri Dam HPP (THDC)	1000	2002-04
Koteshwar Dam HPP (THDC)	400	2005-06

Central Sector	MW	Commissioning Schedule
Tehri PSP (THDC)	1000	2005-07
Dhauli Ganga Stage-I (NHPC)	280	2004-05
State Sector		
Maneri Bhali Stage-II	304	2006-07
Private Sector		
Vishnu Prayag	400	2006-07
Srinagar	330	2005-06

Ranking Study Report for the Development of Hydro-Electric potential

1770. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Electricity Authority has submitted its ranking study report for the development of hydro-electric potential in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the expected power to be produced; and

(d) the steps taken for the development of potential sites so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government of India is according high Priority to exploit the untapped hydoro-electrtic potential in the country. In order to accelerate the process of survey and investigation of the new hydro-electric sites and to create a shelf of feasible projects which could be taken up for execution, the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) was asked to carry out a ranking study of the balance hydro sites for all the six classified river basins in the country. CEA has since brought out a Report on Preliminary Ranking Study of about 400 hydro schemes with an aggregate installed capacity of about 1,07,000 MW which are yet to be developed. The inter-se-prioritization of hydro sites within the basins has been carried out on consideration of various